

FIRE MOUNTAIN

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Tale of Mystery, Treasure, Love and the Sea

WHO'S WHO AND WHAT HAS HAPPENED: MARTIN BLAKE, law clerk with a longing for adventure, gets ended. A few softly spoken, laughter-

a taste of it when his employer,

JOSIAH SMATT, who handles some mysterious cases, directs him o carry a sealed envelope to

CAPT. WILD BOB CAREW, who is to be found in the Black ruiser saloon at Green Street and the Embarcadero, San Francisco. While Blake is getting his instructions as to delivering the envelope

DR. ICHI, a dandified Japanese, sits at Smatt's table. While Ichi reviously has been closeted with Smatt, a supposed book agent who

LITTLE BILLY, a hunchback, steward of the brig Cohasset, apparently tries to sell a "Compendium of Knowledge." The book agent, lowever, lets his eyes rove all over the place as he talks. His attempt it a sale is interrupted by Smatt's summons. When Blake, with the envelope in his pocket, re-enters the main part of Smatt's office he has a sense of some one's having just left. That night, on his errand, Blake

THE BOSUN OF THE COHASSET, alcoholically mournful over he disappearance of Little Billy, with whom he had started out to buy a birthday present for the brig's "blessed little mate." When Blake refers to Ichi and Carew, the Bosun, a gigantic, h-less Englishman, becomes suddenly belligerent.

ARTIN did not await the onslaught. He dashed out the door and boarded a passing street car. He sank thank-"blessed little mate" was like. He street car. He sank thankfully into a seat, aglow with his adenture. Something to remember, that affair with the weeping boatswain! But what was the fellow so sullen

Thus did Martin consign the boatswain to the limbo of memory. He was inside the street car, so he did not see the automobile, driven by a figure in gray overcoat and cap, that drew up the curb beside the boatswain.

Nor did he observe that automobile's consequent strange behavior in per-sistently keeping half a block behind the slowly moving street car the whole distance to the water front.

The clock on the tower of the Ferry Building showed fifteen minutes past 9 when Martin dropped off the car at the foot of Market Street. He had saloon. He pulled out his watch; still plenty of time-it was then forty-five minutes till 10 o'clock. He turned and walked slowly northward along the Embarcadero.

Pedestrians became few, mainly straggling seamen bound for their ships. Across the way, the steamers at and there loomed the spars of a sailing vessel, a delicate tracery upon the

right away. Especially staged for oung gentlemen of the law." Martin moved forward promptly.

First the weeping boatswain, now the happy hunchback. It was a night of odd meetings! "Ah, ha, my amiable acquaintance

With Thee, Fair Maid.

tinged words reached Martin.

Martin stood entranced. The song

"The audience is requested to kind-

ly move forward. Next show starts

of the afternoon walks abroad!" chuckled the voice. "Is it thus he cools a brow fevered of too much Kent and Bisokstone?" "Well, it is a good night for such

a cooling." was Martin's good-natured retort. "True," admitted the other. "And

other things than the law fever the head-heavy ordnance of cruisers of accursed blackness, the fatal rum and gum, the devious workings of the Oriental mind, the slithering about of night for a cooling. As witness!"

Martin stared at the other. No

reek of alcohol met his nostrils, as Martin speculated upon these last. with the boatswain, but, mone the less, Little Billy's cryptic jargon con firmed his suspicions. Also drunk, he reflected. visioned that surprising person who

He told Little Billy of his experience with the mournful bosun. you give him the slip?" said Martin.
"Did you run away from him to beoma a book agent?"

"You do not understand," stated the hunchback with dignity. "It was but a manifestation of the wander some distance down it, the outline of lust. Hehold in me, sir, the fover an automobile standing with lights the argonaut, the adventurer!" He straightened his slouched figur the presence of an apparently deand attempted to strike an oratorical posture. He lost his balance and but it was a subconscious interest. lurched sidewise toward Martin. He

The next street, he knew, was grasped Martin's overcoat. Green Street. Those lights that Martin good-naturedly put an arm shone on the next corner must mark around the other to steady him. Little his destination, the Black Cruiser Billy, he guesaed, was rendered dizzy by that rum and gum he had darkly five and twenty moments before 10 hinted at. The hunchback testered and clung to Martin's overcoat. Not As he stood there under a dim light for an instant did his tongue cease consulting his timepiece, there came wagging. to his ears, out of the darkness just

strange men, strange pursuits," he told Martin. "Behold in me one who tenor, singing an ancient, lilting, deep has followed many eccupations. A sailor-yes. A book agent-yes. Also, sir, rich man, poor man, beggar man, cap lounged against a telegraph pole the last.

A KUTE KIDDIE. .

WAS A WOMAN THOSE CHUNKY ALIENS WERE URGING

ALONG, A WHITE WOMAN-YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL."

thief. A wooz, a wizard, a king o egerdemain. Student, actor- Bu vhy continue?"

He had regained his balance and inished with a fine, sweeping ges-Martin was charmed, but also or

ressed by his consciousness of the

He reached for his watch and notes hat Little Billy's clutch had opened

"I must leave you," he said to Little "I've an errand to that saloon on the corner. I won't forget the

Martin passed it by almost

meeting."
"Good-by. "No, you'll not forget this meeting." responded the hunchback. "No," he repeated, "you'll rebefore it stood five men in a row, attended upon by a heavily-paunched A figure in a gray greatcoat and and aproned fellow. Martin accosted

"Mr. Spulvedo?" asked Martin. "I wish to see Mr. Spulvedo."
The aproned man had a swarthy,

greasy, fat face, this officer of the Black Cruiser, and moist, thick lips. Martin recalled Little Billy's reminis ence concerning the "slithering about He shot a glance out of the corners his eyes toward the five patrons.

The glance revealed five stolid, yel- polsonous room. Was this Spulvedo 4.00 P. M.-Closing prices on active conds, stocks, grain, coffee and sugar.

4.05 P. M .- "Fashlens," by the Wom-

n's wear daily newspaper. 9.55 P. M.—Standard time signals 10.01 P. M -- Official weather forecast 5/30 P. M.-Closing prices on stocks,

nds, grain, coffee and sugar. 7.00 P. M.—Children's bedtime story. 9.00 P. M.—Broadcasting Broadway," by Bertha Brainard. 1.15 P. M.—United States Army Night.

nd music by an army band.

low-brown, faces turned toward him, conducting this rockery as a Japanese five pairs of black, oblique-set eyes lodging house? regarding him intently. Five Japanese! Martin sensed some connection between himself and the five. That envelope in his inner pocket!

"I wish to see Capt. Carew," he stated. "Yais, you see heem," answered

Spulvedo. "Thess way-come!" he bade. Martin brushed through a door, opened fust wide enough to admit his ody. He expected the greasy saloonkeeper to follow, but instead that worthy slammed the door upon him

and turned the lock.

"Have no afraid," soothed a soft In the hall outside a door was noisily "I make show he way to he hon'ble."

The figure moved, and the clutch on his wrist urged him to follow. They moved forward some twenty paces, and encountered a stairway leading upstairs. It was not so dark here; a gas light burned somewhere in the hall upstairs.

His conductor released his wrist, and commenced to ascend stairs. Martin, as he started to follow, noticed there was a second door at the foot of the stairs. He ruessed it let upon the street.

They gained the upstairs landing and paused. Martin saw before him a long hall with at least dozen doors opening upon it. he had suspected from without, this place was, or had been, a cheap lodging-house.

"He, hon'ble, stop by here." his guide invited. "I go make prepare." Martin shrugged his shoulders. There seemed to be many liminaries to an audience with this Captain Carew. Through the door the Jap held open he saw the outlines of a bed, and a rag of carpet. When he stepped through the door. the musty air of the room smote his nostrils like a blow.

The Japanese closed the door, and the retreating echo of his footsteps sounded from the hall. Martin had not expected to be thus shut in darkness, but after all it was a small matter. He felt his way to the bed and sat down on its edge.

After a moment he struck a match The flare revealed, as, he expected, the meanly appointed bedroom of a tenth rate hostelry. The single window was shuttered.

There was an alien taint in that

2.30 P. M .- Song recital by Florence

3 P. M .- "Radio for the Layman."

3.45 to 4 P. M .- Violin soles by Will-

Spangler Yordy,

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woman-young and beautiful.

A strange place for a sea captain to lodge. This Carew must be some

rough renegade. Perhaps he was

not even white; perhaps he was a

Thus far had Martin got with his

musings, when his attention was at-

tracted by noises that suddenly dis-

turbed the uncarthly quiet of the

A door slammed, below stairs. Iis

heard sounds of a scuffle. The sounds

drew nearer-grunts, exclamations,

Some one ran past his door, and

Martin sat tensely on the edge of

the bed. What was about, there in

he hall? The scuffling had reached

the head of the stairs; now it was

Several pairs of feet were making

It was a strange voice, a rich and

thrilling voice and it carried an ap-

Martin felt his way to the door.

He turned the knob and pulled and

the door came open a few inches.

There was an exclamation from some

A clinched fist shot through the open-

ing, impacted against the pit of his

stomach and sent him reeling back-

But in the instant he had held the

door ajar he had witnessed a sight

that caused him to ignore the pain

A group of little yellow men clus-

tered about and urging along a single figure that slightly overtopped them;

a figure clad in a gray overcoat.

At the very instant Martin looked,

and a wonderful mass of hair tum-

bled down about the gray clad shoul-

lers. It was a woman those chunky,

illens were urging along, a white

gray cap had fallen from the head

He must see what was being done to

hat noise. Martin heard a voice ex-

laim chokingly, and in English:

"Let go-let go of me!"

peal. A man's voice?

the owner of that voice.

in his stomac

sentences were spoken in a harsh, clicking, alien tongue.

half-caste.

flouse.

cotsteps.

opposite his door.

opened.

6.20 P. M .- "Chemistry," by David 6.30 to 7 P. M .- "Man in the Moon Stories for Children." 8 P. M.—Houdini will be interviewed "via wireless" by well known reporters from the metropolitan newspapers. 2.45 P. M.-Recital by William Schau-M .- "Cavalleria Rusticana." the complete opera, with full cast and orchestra, will be broadcast by the Fuccini Grand Opera Company. bacher, violinist of East Orange, N. J. 3.20 P. M .- Songs by Florence Spang-

HER SENSE OF HUMOR. (From the Detroit Free Press.)
"Can your wife see a joke?"
"If it's in the shape of a bonnet or se am Schaubacher. 6.15 P. M.—"The Smartly Dressed

The Evening World's Kiddie Klub Korner

sea chantey.

= Conducted by Eleanor Schorer = TOM AND THE CEREAL ELVES.



Mills." his back. Tom did, and they went on until they came to a dark passage. "Shut your eyes and hold on tight," said the elf. Tom felt himself rolling and rolling. He opened one eye for a peek, but couldn't see anything, so he shut it again. In another minute the little man told him to open his Dear Cousins o' Mine; eyes; they were there. Tom opened

himself in a large, airy workshop, flooded with sunlight. There were little men everywhere, working, Outside were large fields of grain and little men with plaws and tiny horses wer plowing. Then they went inside again. This time they went over to a small giving and telling Thanksgiving table where a little man was working stories both old and new. merrily. They watched him shape the tiny wheat cakes which had syrup in ride and cocoantit sprinkled on top and put them into small boxes. Whe the little man saw the King he bowed, but did not stop working. Defore they vent away the little man thrust a ber of the crackers into Tom's hand and bade him goodby. They went on to They kny mor wealing packages. They worked very rapidly

Soon the King said to Tour. "It) time for you to go home. I will take you as far as the passage." They went off and soon came to the passage "Goodby, Tom." said the little man-"Shut your eyes tight and you will soon be home." Tom shut his eyes and felt himself rolling, rolling, and

scaled packages into the machine at

the next minute he opened his eyes and found his mother bending over him. He saw he was on the floor. He inughed and told his mother about his trip with the King of Cereal Elves. Ever after that Tom ate his cereal. Viola Weslock, age eleven.

Brooklyn.

NCE upon a time there lived a little boy named Tom. This little boy disliked cereal. One day his mother him to eat it. He was just about to say he didn't want it when he closed his mouth and opened his eyes wider. There in front of him sat a tiny man iressed in red, cating his oatmeal. "Who are you and what are you

had such influence over rough boat-

swains-a prim little man with mut-

So musing, Martin came to a by

street that divided two warehouses

He crossed the alley, but lingered

The alley was dark, but he noticed.

hooded. He had a passing wonder at

serted machine in such a location,

ahead, a voice, a rich and throaty

Since rovin's been my ru-u-in,

A-roving, a-roving.

ton chop whiskers, he decided.

on the far curb.

doing here?" Tom asked. "I am the King of Cereal Elves and

I have come to take you to my mills and fields," said the little man "Come, but first I must make you small." He touched Tom with his wand and off they started.

They walked and walked and walked. Tom thought he had walked for miles and miles, he was so tired. He walked "I Have Come to Take You to My slower and the elf noticed this, so he said: "Are you tired?" Tom said he was, so the eif told him to jump on

We are going to print a special his eyes and to his surprise found Thanksgiving number of the Kiddle Klub Korner and I want to have in

some good stories, poems and draw I want pictures and poems an cross contributions depicting the Thanksgiving spirit, praising Thanks-

Show Thanksgiving Day as we en-loy it. If you would rather, you may olcture a Thanksgiving Day of the past; of the time when the Pilgrims celebrated the harvest feast will prayers and merriment. No matter hich subject you choose, make you ontribution as brilliant as you know

ow. And please send it soon. I should particularly like to re eive some drawings from our artists sing a machine. One man put the P is a long while since they have stre end and another man at the other Klub writers seem to be running away end took them as they came out, all with the honors.

COUSIN ELEANOR.

WHAT IS IT? . What is it that moves And still stands in one place,

And it's like a person If you want to know the secret

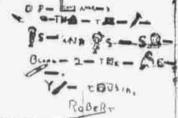
I'll tell it to you now, To any one around.

By Mollie Reiner, New York

Do you know what makes a nois Tick-tock, tick-tock, tick-tock? Now you surely know, For it's only a clock

SEAMON

A REBUS LETTER. October Contest. Eleven-Year Class.



"DEAR COUSIN ELEANOR: I THINK THAT ALL BOYS AND MIRLS SHOULD BELONG TO THE KIDDLE KLUB.

"YOUR COUSIN ROBERT. By Robert Schwartz, New York City.

Honorable Mention. Helen Parest, New York City: Caroline Webber, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Thomas Miner, Yonkers, N. Y.

NOVEMBER CONTEST. Subject: "Christmas Time in Qur House."

Ten awards of \$1 out to will be given the ten Kiddie Klub members aged from six to fifteen inclusive who write the best essays on "Christmas Time

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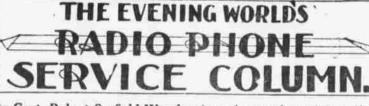
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is original must accompany each

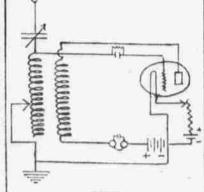
Write NAME, AGE, ADDRESS and CERTIFICATE NUMBER distinctly. Address Cousin Eleanor, New York Evening World, No. 61 Park Row,

HOW TO WIN A PENNANT.

Kiddle who would like to win a new members into the Kinh. Six con ome, numbered in rotation, must be



R. Smith-I have a crystal receiving et and want to make a vacuum tube set of the regenerative type with as few parts as possible. I have a vario coupler, a 43-plate variable condenser coupler, a 43-plate variable condenser and a crystal detector. What additional parts will I need? I have not much money, so please don't give me an elaborate hook-up. Answer—The following diagram gives the hook-up requested by you: Get a WIMI vacuum tube, socket and rheostat, a 1½-volt standard dry cell storage battery and a 221-volt II battery. By shopping around, these parts can be purchased for about \$10. or about \$10.



A. Thompson I live within five miles of the station that is operated from Acoltan Hall and would like to know f a loop aerial can be used with a deector and two step outfit in receiving the concerts from this station? Answer Under ordinary conditions a loop serial used with a set such as you have will work all right with a loop acrial within ten miles of the station. Just what you will be sule to do with a loop with this new station will only de-

HOW TO JOIN THE KLUB.



elicer gray Klub Pir

mailed to me with a letter telling m the name, age and address of the nev member and the name, age, address and certificate number of the kiddle new member who brings four other new members ferouse Kinh with

COUPON 1.015.

By Capt. Robert Scofield Wood. | velop under actual experiment. If the QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS | loop will not work, 75 feet of bell wire strung around the picture moulding of the room will serve as an excellent in-

> Reader-"Can I use a variometer b dace of a loose coupler in a crystal re eiving set? Will a 43 plaje variable ondenser in the aerial or shunted across the variometer give better tuning shillty?" Answer—The variometer car be used in place of the loose coupler fan improvement of the reception. T he variable condenser both in the aeric and shunted across the variometer and be guided by the results. Remember however, that the variable condenser is he antenna will shorten the wave length of the varioueter.

E. M. K.—"Will you kindly tell me what advantage there is in connecting an 'A' battery potentiometer in the inclosed hook-up? Will, you also tell me just how it is connected?" Answer—An "A" buttery potentiometer is used in obtaining a more perfect balance be-tween the A and B battery circuits eliminating much of the internal noise mused by those circuits and giving the date circuit a greater and finer range The potentiometer should be connected cross the storage battery and the mo able contact connected to the negative side of the 'B' battery, using 18 volts, This will give the plate circuit a variable potential from 18 to 24 volts.

WGI-MEDFORD HILLSIDE

7:00 A. M.—"Before Breakfast Sct-ps." Arthur E. Baird. 10:30 A. M.—Official New England and cean forecast United States Weather

A. M. - Music. P. M. - Boston farmers produc urket report: United States officia meast.
L. A Little Bit of Every-Mrs. Averil C Maynard. or and newspaper woman.

M. M. Mid-afternoon news

6:00 P. M. Market report.
6:30 P. M. Baston police reports
atte news flashes, early sport news
8:30 P. M. Evening program of
minic and talks. music and talks.

2.00 A. M - Early morning reports an rices on farm products.
11.55 A. M.—Standard time signals rom Arlington; official weather forecast. 12.00 M.→Opening prices of active onds, stocks, grain, coffee and sugar: didday reports and prices of 1.00 P. M .- Musical program.

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